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Re: **Application Serial No.: 09/665,422**
Filing Date: 9/20/2000; First-Named Inventor: Zhao
Attorney Docket No.: 02SPE130P

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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Zhao, et al.SERIAL NO.: 09/665,422 FILED: September 20, 2000FOR: Damascene Interconnect Structure and Fabrication Method Having Air Gaps Between Metal Lines and Metal LayersHONORABLE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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Dear Sir/Madam:

This is in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated November 18, 2004 in the above-referenced patent application. Please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks.